

THE AMERICAN LEGION

DEPARTMENT OF UTAH



CHARLES G. STEPHENSON
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 2016-2017

(Biographical Sketch)

Charles Stephenson joined The American Legion in 2010.

His military service began in 1968 when he enlisted in the United States Army Reserve and continued until his reassignment to the Retired Reserve in 1993 as a Lieutenant Colonel. He was enlisted until attending Officer Candidate School at Ft. Benning in 1971. His assignments included a Firing Battery Commander, S-1, and Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff Personnel, 96th Regional Support Command. He attended Field Artillery Officer Basic Course; Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course; Command and General Staff College; and Air War College.

In Civilian life, Charles served as the Military Personnel Officer at the 96th US Army Reserve Regional Support Command, Salt Lake City, UT; Division Chief, Personnel Support Division – US Army Reserve Personnel Command, St. Louis, MO; and Branch Chief, Officer Evaluation Branch – DA PERSCOM, Alexandria, VA. He retired from US Civil Service in 2005 with over 39 years service.

He has held numerous positions in The American Legion – Department of Utah at Post, District, and Department levels. He was the Department of Utah Co-Legionnaire of the Year for 2013. He completed National American Legion College in 2013. He is currently serving as the 100th Commander of the Department of Utah, and is also a member of the American Legion national Emblem Committee.

He is married to Paula R. Stephenson, also an American Legion member and Past Department Commander. He has two sons – Charles F. and Zachary; and two grandsons – Chandler and Carter, all four are Sons of the American Legion.